

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

‘THE honourable Testimonies you give me in your Approbation of my slender Services to this Province, and my Endeavours to discharge the important Duties of a Station his Majesty has honoured me with in this Government, merit my warmest Acknowledgments.

I am happy to receive your Assurance, to take into your Consideration the several Matters I recommended to you; as by the Exertion of your Abilities, I doubt not but the most effectual Measures will be pursued for the Accomplishment of the Great Ends in View.

The Distresses you take Notice this Country feels, for Want of a greater Circulation of Currency, I flatter myself, will be relieved in due Season, by the Wisdom of his Majesty and his Parliament.

A steady Pursuit of the laudable Views of Government you have adopted, will add new Life to my Zeal and Affection for the Welfare of this Country, as your Inclination to promote the Happiness of my Administration, receive the Tribute of my unfeigned Thanks.’

¹This is the third of three enclosures sent in the letter of Tryon to the earl of Shelburne, No. 17, and dated December 11, 1767. It was printed by James Davis.

William Tryon
to the Earl of Shelburne

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My Lord,

M^r Thomas M^cGwire produced to me last October His Majesty's Warrant appointing him Attorney General to this Province, in obedience to which I issued His Commission under the Seal of the Province for that Office, when he qualified in Council by taking the Oaths &c required by Law.

M^r John Abraham Collet¹ waited on me the fourth of last Month at Brunswick with a Commission from His Majesty bearing date the 15th of May last appointing him Captain and Commander of Fort Johnston, in virtue of which I administered to him the Oaths of allegiance and other Oaths required by Law, and ordered the Fort to be delivered up to him.

Unless His Majesty is graciously pleased to fix some pay to His Commission or put him on the Establishment of Engineer for the Southern District of North America, His real Merit and Military